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FM USMISSION GENEVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9542

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY TOKYO IMMEDIATE

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USEEC

LONDON FOR ASST SEC KATZ; DEPT PLS PASS TO STR ELECTRONICALLY
FOR AMB STRAUSS; ALSO FOR DOC ASST SEC WEIL AND DOL DEP ASSOC
UNDERSEC BLACKMAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRD

SUBJ: TEXTILES: MFA RENEWAL

REF: GENEVA 6115

1. U.S. TEXTILE TEAM MET THROUGH THE NIGHT AND
MORNING OF JULY 21-22 WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF EEC, NORDIC
COUNTRIES, JAPAN, ASEAN, HONG KONG, KOREA, MEXICO AND EGYPT IN
WHAT MIGHT BE LAST-DITCH ATTEMPT AT AGREEMENT ON TEXT OF CHAIR-
MAN'S STATEMENT FOR TEXTILES COMMITTEE WHICH WOULD PAVE WAY
FOR MFA RENEWAL.

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2. AS OF 1100 HOURS, AFTER 15 NONSTOP HOURS OF NEGOTIATIONS
AND SEVERAL TELEPHONE CALLS TO TOKYO AND BRUSSELS, AGREEMENT
HAD NOT YET BEEN REACHED AMONG ABOVE COUNTRIES. AGREE-
MENT HAD BEEN VERY CLOSE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS THROUGH
THE NIGHT, BUT, AS HAS OFTEN HAPPENED THROUGHOUT PAST
TWO AND ONE-HALF WEEKS, SOME STUMBLING BLOCK PRE-
VENTED FINAL AGREEMENT.

3. ALL DELEGATIONS, DESPITE INDIVIDUAL HANGUPS, SEEM WILLING TO CONTINUE WORK UNTIL AGREEMENT IS REACHED. TIME AVAILABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT IS VERY SHORT, AS PRESSURES WITHIN EC ARE RAPIDLY REDUCING TRAN'S MANEUVERING ROOM, ALREADY EXCRUCIATINGLY LIMITED.

4. ONE OF MAJOR STUMBLING BLOCKS REMAINING IS JAPANESE NEED TO CONSULT TOKYO CONSTANTLY BEFORE AGREEING TO ANYTHING. WE HAVE TRIED TO MAKE CLEAR TO JAPANESE THE CONSEQUENCES OF BLOCKING RENEWAL OF MFA, IF THEY SHOULD END UP IN THAT POSITION. WE ARE NOT SURE, HOWEVER, THAT MESSAGE HAS BEEN RELAYED CLEARLY TO TOKYO, OR THAT TOKYO UNDERSTANDS. AT LEAST AT ONE POINT LAST NIGHT, THEIR UNWILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT A STATEMENT WHICH HAD, IN EFFECT, BEEN AGREED UPON BY EVERYONE ELSE THREATENED TO BRING DOWN THE WHOLE THING.

5. OTHER (AND TROUBLESOME) MAJOR STUMBLING BLOCK HAS BEEN EGYPT (HAMZA) WHO HAS REPRESENTED (EXTERNALLY) GROUP OF 77 AND HAS BEEN UNWILLING TO AGREE TO SEVERAL KEY PARAGRAPHS ACCEPTABLE TO ALL OTHER REPRESENTATIVES INCLUDING OTHER EXPORTING COUNTRIES.

6. AFTER MEETING RECESSED, U.S. CONSULTED WITH D-G LONG. WE WILL REPORT ON LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS TO SEVEN-
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PLUS-SEVEN SCHEDULED FOR 5:00 PM TODAY AND PROPOSE SMALL NEGOTIATING GROUP CONTINUE EFFORTS.
VANDEN HEUVEL

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